

St. Monica Catholic Church
501 North St.
Converse, Texas 78109

*Christ,
the King
of the
Universe*



*Nuestro
Señor
Jesucristo,
Rey del
Universo*

Pastor: Fr. Thumma Prathap

Email: pastor@saintmonicaconverse.net

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Rafael Antonio Lopez-Negróni

Email: rlopez@saintmonicaconverse.net

Office Working Hours: Mon., Tue., Thur., & Friday 9:00 am-5:30 pm

Wed. 9 am-7pm Sat: 10am-2pm & Sun: 10am-3pm

Closed for lunch 12:30-1pm Mon.- Fri.

For an emergency: Call the office and follow the instructions.

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs. Karmen Chavez

Early Childhood-8th Grade

Academy Day Care 18 months-3 year olds

210-658-6701 E-mail: office@saintmonica.net

Registration on going for the 2024/2025 School Year

Ya está abierta la inscripción para el Año 2024/2025



MINISTRIES

ACTS: Giselle Zamago

ALTAR SOCIETY: THRIFT STORE: Open Wednesdays & Saturdays from 9 a.m. till Noon

ART & ENVIRONMENT (DECORATIONS) MINISTRY: Alma Castillo

BALLET FOLKLÓRICO : Bertha Castellanos

BIBLE STUDY (English): Timo Zepeda & Annette Winfield

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: Dcn. Sean Dooley

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS: Meet 3rd Sat. of the month 9a.m. NO MEETINGS June or July.

Contact: **Melinda Vanderdrink**

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (Spanish) Meet Tues. 6 - 7:30pm & Wed. 9 to 11am in the Parish Hall contact **Lupita Ruiz**

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (English) Meet every 2nd & 4th Sat. at 10am & the following Mon. at 6pm contact **Natalia Lopez**

EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, LECTOR, USHER AND ALTAR SERVER: Contact **Anita Moreno** to join any of these ministries.

FAMILY OF THE ROSARY Graciela Morgan

GUADALUPANAS: Meets 2nd Mon. 10:00 a.m. parish hall, **Joe Luera**

HEALING HEART: Elsa Lopez

HOMEBOUND: Barbara Ward

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meets 2nd Tues.at 7:00 p.m. **Steve Steele**, Grand Knight

LIVE STREAMING: Delia M. Finch & Pablo Garcia

LOVESTRONG: Tony & Isabel Canez

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Christian Zunino

POWER POINT MINISTRY: Claudio Corrales & Courtney Sheehan

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: Meet every Fri. 7:00 p.m. at parish hall: **Rafael & Betzy Torres**

ST. KIZITO'S HOPE MINISTRY Meet 2nd Sunday of month after the 11am Mass in the Mollicone Building #101

VOCATIONS: Elvia Armenta

WELCOME MINISTRY: Tony Canez

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: Gabe & Diana Canez

YOUTH MINISTRY: Lyle Pearce Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall

Contact the parish office for more information on any of the above ministries.

COMMITTEES

Pastoral Council President: Timo Zepeda

Finance Council President: Barbara Stewart

Building Board President: Tony Canez

CHOIR DIRECTORS

Music Coordinator: Jorge Castellanos

Gil Lugo, Sat.; 5:30pm & Sun; 7:30am

David Rodriguez Sun 3:00pm

Bill Staggs, 9:15 a.m.

Michelle Hernandez, 11 a.m..

Jorge Castellanos, Spanish 1p.m.

Lilli Soto, 5 p.m. or **Bill Staggs** 5 p.m.

Lupita Gonzalez 7pm Sunday

To join the choir, call the director of the Mass you attend.

SACRAMENTS

ANOINTING OF SICK: Contact the church office to setup an appointment with a priest.

INFANT BAPTISMS: 3rd Saturday of the month in English & 4th Saturday of the month in Spanish. Please contact the parish office to register.

MARRIAGE & QUINCEANERA MASS: At least 6 months notice is required. Contact **Deacon David** at the parish office.

OCIA: Adult converts or those needing sacraments are invited. Please contact **Timo Zepeda** for more information.

RECONCILIATION: **Wed.** 5:30 p.m.& **Sat.** 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & EDGE: Includes preparation for **First Communion and Confirmation** Grades K– High School. Email: RE@saintmonicaconverse.net 210-658-3816



Glyssie Esquivel, Reynaldo Vela, Angel Cantu, Linda Duncan, Maria J., Olga B., Arthur Thomas, Lisa Lee, Luis M Vega, Barbara Cantley, Suzie Littrell, Helen Arispe, Alena Quintero, Irma Mendez, Nildia Johnston, Lucy Barajas, Tim Knotts, Lisa Lee, Douglas, Bob Andrews, Tyler Acosta, Jo-Ann Case, Manuel M., Diane Thatcher, Brenda, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, John Cortez, Andrew, Velma Duran, Jan Beland, Kenia Aguilar, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Catarina Garza, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, Nicanora Rodriguez, Paul D., Angel Cantu, Barbara Garza, Evan Pesek, Laura Cynthia Peters, Bill Eastman, Felix Davila, Ernesto Sosa, Connie Martinez, Robert, Adam Thomas, Melissa, Michael Burgos, Ruben Pacheco, Rose, Christine, Pawlick family, Rhonda Hogan, Barbara Rials, Trini & Jackie Cantú, Jason Silk, Tony Rippy, Edwardo Guevara, Adalene, Janet Hillson, Pablo Martinez, Lucy Zamora, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Donny Krueger, Vanessa P. Will Clouse, Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Maria Ramos, Roland Guerra, Ignacio Urabazo, Becky Cortez, Francis, Corina Silk, Jason Silk, Judy Gutierrez Kahn, Alfredo Covarrubias & family, Mary Kirby, Sergio Martinez Ortiz, Rocio Martinez Ortiz, Derrick Hensley, Edith, Blanca, Juan Esquivel, Rocio Martinez, Hector Balderas, Diana Palomo, Vicky Guevara, Mary Angel Garcia, Manuel Lozano, Sylvia Gonzales, Sophia Pusateri, Jose Reyes, Manuel & Tenchia Trevino Anna Roberta Kotso, Nicholas Kerwin, Nick Ramos, Joann & Sebastian, Julie Martinez, Anna Cortez, Carlos Alberto Garcia, Daniela Basulto, Donna Ann Salinas, Maria Luisa Nieto, Michael Thompson, John Baldwin Mary Lou Thompson, Aleda Camelia Pineda,

Please pray for the sick

In observance of Thanksgiving there will be NO HOLY HOUR on Thursday November 28th. The parish office will be closed Thursday Nov.28th and will reopen on Monday December 2nd.



En Conmemoración del Día de Acción de Gracia, NO HABRA HORA SANTA el Jueves, 28 de Noviembre.

La oficina parroquial estará cerrado el Jueves 28 de Noviembre y reabrirá el Lunes 2 de Diciembre

MASS SCHEDULE:

The 9:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. Sunday Masses & Mon-Sat daily Masses are live-streamed on Facebook.

HORARIO DE MISA: Las misas de 9:15 a.m. y 1 p.m. el domingo son transmitido en vivo en Facebook.

**THE PRIEST SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE
EL HORARIO SACERDOTE SUJETO A CAMBIO**

Monday/Lunes, November 25th

Mass/ Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Rafael

Tuesday/Martes, November 26th

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Wednesday/Miércoles, November 27th

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Rafael

Confessions /Confesiones 5:30 p.m.

Thursday/Jueves, November 28th

Thanksgiving Day / Día de Acción de Gracias

Mass/Misa **Change of time** 9:00 a.m. Fr. Rafael

Holy Hour Cancelled / Hora Santa Cancelado

Friday/Viernes, November 29th

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Saturday/Sábado, November 30th

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle / Fiesta de San Andrés, Apóstol

Rosary/Rosario 9:00 a.m.

Mass/Misa (Bilingual) 9:30 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Confessions/Confesiones 3:30 p.m.

Mass/Misa 5:30 p.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. Luis

First Sunday of Advent**I Domingo de Adviento****Sunday/Domingo, December 1st**

Masses in a.m. 7:30 a.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. Sean

Misas de la mañana 9:15 a.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. Sean

11:00 a.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. David

Masses in p.m. 1 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Joel

3 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Joel

Misas de la tarde 5 p.m. (English) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. David

7 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Luis

Change of Mass time on Thanksgiving Day

Thursday November 28th from 8:15 am to 9 am

You are welcome to bring your wine and bread to be consumed at your dinner to be blessed at Mass

**Cambio de horario de Misa el Día de Acción de
Gracias el Jueves 28 de Noviembre
de 8:15 am a 9 am**

**Es bienvenido a traer su vino y pan para consumir
en su cena y ser bendecidos en la Misa.**



Day	Date	Time	Intention
Mon	11/25	8:15 a.m.	† Victoria Eugenia Hernandez Bertrand
Tue	11/26	8:15 a.m.	† Holy Souls in Purgatory † Antonio L. Cruz † Rosa de Jesus Arriaga † Monserrate Manriquez
Wed	11/27	8:15 a.m.	(SI) Conversion of Sinners † Elida P. Quintanilla † Monserrate Manriquez
Thurs	11/28	9:00 a.m.	† Cruz Cerda III † Monserrate Manriquez
Fri	11/29	8:15 p.m.	(B) Karina † Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat.	11/30	9:30 a.m.	(SI) St. Monica Parishioners
		5:30 p.m.	† Leissa Sutton
Sun.	12/1	7:30 a.m.	(SI) Edi & Charles Wheeler (SI) Nneka & Johnny Rogers (SI) Linda Susan Kneupper
		9:15 a.m.	(SI) Carolyn Perez † Davian Sanchez † Dominga Lopez † ManuelGonzalez
		11:00 a.m.	† Irma Kotanan † Reynold & Alicia Gonzalez † Victor Sr. & Francisca Yanez † Yolanda Gonzalez
		1:00 p.m.	(B) Cesar Casas (A) Tomas & Maria Gutierrez † Jose Ricardo Hernandez
		3:00 p.m.	† Almas de Purgatory † Maria Teresa Mata † Donald Sadler
		5:00 p.m.	(SI) Conversion of Sinners
		7:00 p.m.	(SI) Familia Alvarado Cano † Dimitre Delgado † Andy Hernandez

COLLECTIONS

November 17th \$ 13,755.50

Online collection \$ 3,168.00

Second Collection for

Campaign for Human Development \$ 1,989.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul \$ 454.00

Online Collection for St. Monica School \$ 70.00

December 1st NO Second Collection:



The Sanctuary Lamp is for a special intention

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2024-2025 School Year

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
— ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO —

We are also delighted to share that Fr. Rafael and Fr. Thumma are teaching Religion classes for students from 1st to 8th grades, enriching their understanding of our faith.

Your support and assistance are invaluable to us. Please keep St. Monica's School in your prayers as we continue to nurture the minds and souls of our young students.

También estamos encantados de compartir que Padre Rafael y Padre Thumma impartirán clases de Religión para estudiantes de 1° a 8° grado, enriqueciendo su comprensión de nuestra fe. Su apoyo y asistencia son invaluable para nosotros. Por favor, mantengan a la escuela de Santa Mónica en sus oraciones mientras continuamos nutriendo las mentes y almas de nuestros jóvenes estudiantes.



Registration Fee

New Students

\$500 per Student

(Registration Fee is Non-Refundable)

Monthly Rate

1 Child	\$595.00
2 Children	\$1,130.50
3 Children	\$1,666.00

10% sibling discount reflected in rates above
5% Military Discount offered

2024-2025 ANNUAL TUITION \$5,950
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“Pastor’s Voice”**Giving Thanks on Thanksgiving Day**

Dearest St. Monica Family,

As we gather to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, we are filled with gratitude for the abundant blessings that God has bestowed upon us as a parish community. This day is not only a time to express our thanks to God but also an opportunity to extend our heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you who contribute to the life and mission of St. Monica Parish.

Gratitude for Financial Support and Generosity: First and foremost, I want to thank each parishioner for your generous financial support and unwavering commitment to St. Monica Parish. Your contributions make it possible for us to continue our ministries, maintain our facilities, and serve the needs of our community. Your generosity is a testament to your faith and dedication to our parish family.

Appreciation for Volunteers in Various Ministries: I extend my deepest gratitude to all who volunteer their time and talents in various ministries of our parish. To our Eucharistic Ministers, Mass Coordinators, Sacristians, Lectors, Altar Servers, Choir members, and leaders—you are the heartbeat of our liturgical celebrations and spiritual life. Your dedication enriches our worship and brings the love of Christ to our parishioners.

Recognition of Employees' Commitment: I also want to acknowledge and thank all our employees for their steadfast commitment and tireless efforts in serving our parish community. Your professionalism, dedication, and care contribute greatly to the vibrant life of our parish and make St. Monica a welcoming place for all who enter our doors.

Gratefulness for Fr. Rafael Negroni, Deacons and Parish Leadership: To our dear priest, Fr. Rafael and deacons, thank you for your witness of faith and ministry among us. Your service and pastoral care strengthen our parish community and inspire us to live more fully as disciples of Christ. I also want to express appreciation to our Pastoral and Finance Councils, building boards, and all those who serve in various leadership roles. Your guidance and vision help to shape the future of our parish and ensure we remain faithful to our mission.

Support from Parish Ministries and Community: Lastly, but certainly not least, I am grateful to all the ministries within our parish for their dedicated support to our parishioners. Whether through outreach, education, or fellowship, your efforts enrich the spiritual life of our community and make a meaningful difference in the lives of many.

Conclusion: On this Thanksgiving Day, let us pause to give thanks to God for the blessings of faith, community, and love that surround us at St. Monica Parish. May our hearts overflow with gratitude as we continue to journey together in faith, hope, and service to one another. God Bless America.

With sincere thanks and blessings.

Rev. Thumma Prathap

November 23rd & 24th, 2024

“Voz del Pastor”**Dando gracias en El Día de Acción de Gracias**

Queridísima familia de Santa Mónica,

Al reunirnos para celebrar el Día De Gracias, estamos llenos de gratitud por las bendiciones abundantes que Dios ha derramado en nosotros como comunidad parroquial. Este día no es solamente un tiempo de expresar nuestras gracias a Dios sino también es una oportunidad de extender nuestro agradecimiento a todos y cada uno de ustedes que ayudan a la vida y la misión de la Parroquia de Santa Mónica.

Agradecimiento por el apoyo financiero y generosidad:

Primero y antes que nada, quiero agradecer a cada parroquiano el generoso apoyo financiero y apoyo inquebrantable a la Parroquia de Sta. Mónica. Sus donativos han hecho posible el que continuemos nuestros ministerios, mantener nuestras instalaciones, y servir las necesidades de nuestra comunidad. Su generosidad es un testimonio de su fe y dedicación hacia nuestra familia parroquial.

Agradecimiento a los Voluntarios de Varios Ministerios: Les doy mis más sincero agradecimiento a todos los que ofrecen su tiempo y talentos en los varios ministerios de la parroquia. Nuestros Ministros de la Eucaristía, Coordinadores de Misas, Sacristanes, Lectores, Acólitos, Miembros del Coro, y dirigentes- ustedes son el latido de nuestra celebración litúrgica t vida espiritual. Su dedicación enriquece nuestra adoración y trae el amor de Cristo a nuestros parroquianos.

Reconocimiento de el Compromiso de nuestros Empleados:

también quiero reconocer y agradecer a todos nuestros empleados por su constante compromiso y esfuerzo continuo en el servicio a nuestra comunidad. Su profesionalismo, dedicación, y atención contribuyen grandemente a la vida vibrante de nuestra parroquia y hacen de Sta. Mónica un lugar que recibe a todos los que entran en nuestras puertas.

Agradecimiento por el Padre Rafael Negroni, Diáconos y

Líderes Parroquiales: a nuestro querido sacerdote, Rafael y diáconos, gracias por su testimonio de fe y ministerio entre nosotros. Su servicio y el cuidado pastoral fortalecen nuestra comunidad y nos inspiran a vivir más completamente como discípulos de Cristo. También quiero expresar mi agradecimiento a nuestro Consejo Parroquial y Financiero, comité de construcción y a todos los que sirven en varios papeles de liderazgo. Su guía y visión ayuda a formar el futuro de nuestra parroquia y asegura que nos mantengamos fieles a nuestra misión.

Apoyo de los Ministerios Parroquiales y Comunidad: por último, pero no por ello menos importante, estoy muy agradecido a todos los ministerios dentro de nuestra parroquia por su apoyo a todos nuestros parroquianos. Ya sea a través de ayuda, educación, o compañerismo, sus esfuerzos enriquecen la vida espiritual de nuestra comunidad y hacen una diferencia significativa en las vidas de muchos.

Concluyendo: en este Día de Gracias, detengámonos para agradecer a Dios por las bendiciones de fe, comunidad, y amor que rodean a la Parroquia de Sta. Mónica. Que nuestros corazones estén llenos de gratitud mientras continuamos esta jornada juntos en fe, esperanza, y servicio unos para el otro. Dios bendiga América,

Con sincera gratitud y bendiciones,

Padre Thumma Prathap

“Altar for the Dead”

It has been a pleasure honoring and praying for loved ones this month. Please make sure you go by and pick up your loved ones pictures on or before Sat. Nov. 30th. If you are unable to pick up your photo please contact Deacon Sean.



“Altar de Los Muertos”

Ha sido un placer honrar y orar por nuestros seres queridos, este mes. Por favor asegúrese de recoger las fotos de sus familiares el Sábado 30 de Noviembre, o antes. Si no puede recoger su foto, por favor comuníquese con el Diácono Sean.

El Camino de San Antonio Missions

invites the community to “Christmas at the Missions,” a month-long celebration of the seasons of Advent and Christmas. This celebration, consisting of many events, focuses on the culture and traditions of the San Antonio Missions and the Archdiocese. The exhibit at the **Padre Margil Pilgrimage Center** focuses on traditional Advent and Christmas devotional practices, including posadas, pastorales, Matachines, and nativities.



For more details visit:

Events - El Camino de San Antonio Missions

El Camino de San Antonio Missions

invita a la comunidad a “Navidad en las Misiones”, una celebración de todo el mes de la temporada de Adviento y Navidad. Esta celebración, consiste de muchos eventos, se enfoca en la cultura de tradiciones de las Misiones de San Antonio y de la Arquidiócesis. La exhibición en el **Centro de Peregrinos del Padre Margil** se enfoca en practicas devocionales tradicionales de Adviento Navidad, incluyendo posadas, pastorelas, matachines, y Sagradas Familias.

Para más información visite:

Events-El Camino de San Antonio Missions

Download Our New Parish App!

Our new St. Monica app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar. Also enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more. Download our app today at myparishapp.com or search your phone's app store for myparish.



¡Descargue nuestra nueva aplicación parroquial (Parish App)!

Nuestra nueva aplicación Santa Mónica ya está disponible para descargar para teléfonos inteligentes iPhone y Android. Manténgase conectado con nuestra parroquia durante toda la semana con notificaciones instantáneas, un calendario. También disfrute de un gran número de funciones adicionales como oraciones, lecturas diarias, recordatorios útiles para silenciar su teléfono antes de la misa o la confesión, y mucho más. Descargue nuestra aplicación hoy en myparishapp.com o busque myparish en la tienda de aplicaciones de su teléfono app store for myparish.

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Our Diocesan bulletin representative, Julian Cook is working on filling in open spaces for the ad/sponsor pages of our weekly bulletin. If anyone would like to participate or have questions on how you can advertise your business or to simply sponsor a space, please call or email Julian Cook at 512-351-6481 or email: jcook@diocesan.com

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Thank you to all who participate in the ad section of the weekly bulletin, it is through the advertisers/sponsors that the bulletin is made possible every week of the year.



Estamos ***agradecidos de tener unos anunciantes increíbles*** quien hacen posible este boletín. Nuestro boletín es un importante herramienta de comunicación y ***no tiene costo alguno*** para nosotros, gracias al apoyo de nuestros anunciantes! ***Gracias!***

Nuestro representante del boletín Diocesano, Julian Cook esta trabajando para llenar los espacios abiertos para las paginas de anuncios/ patrocinadores de nuestro boletín semanal. Si alguien desea participar o tiene preguntas sobre como puede anunciar su negocio o simplemente patrocinar un espacio, llame o envíe un correo electrónico a Julian Cook al 512-351-6481 o su Correo electrónico: jcook@diocesan.com. -anuncios comerciales -anuncios personales (En Memoria Amorosa de J. Miller) -patrocinador (Felicitaciones de la Familia Miller) Gracias a todos los que participan en la sección de anuncios del boletín semanal, es a través de los anunciantes/patrocinadores que el boletín es posible todas las semanas del año.

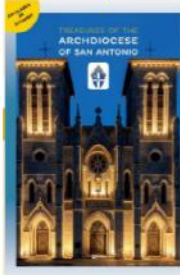
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We have a limited number of books in English and Spanish, and now you can get one personally autographed by our priest!!

You can purchase your autographed copy for \$ 25 at the parish office, open till 7 p.m. on Wednesdays and open on the weekends.

This would make a wonderful gift only 4 Sunday's till Christmas

**"Tesoros de la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio"**

¡No pierda la oportunidad de tener uno de estos libros propios bellamente ilustrados que muestran todas las parroquias de nuestra Arquidiócesis!

¡¡Tenemos una cantidad limitada de libros en inglés y español, y ahora puedes obtener uno autografiado personalmente por nuestro sacerdotes!!

Puede comprar su copia autografiada por \$25 después de la misa o pasar por la oficina parroquial.

Esto sería sólo un regalo maravilloso. 4 domingos hasta Navidad

Jesus Gave Us the Greatest Bible Study of All Time

Starting in Advent, the next liturgical cycle (Cycle C) of readings will focus on the Gospel of Luke.

When: Friday's; Dec 6th & 13th; All Fridays in January and Feb 7th.

Location: Mollicone Room 105

Cost: \$27.95 purchase with Ascension Press

VISIT PARISH WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION, SIGN UP AND HOW TO ORDER STUDY WORKBOOK.

**Jesús Nos Dio el Estudio Bíblico mas Grande de Todos Los Tiempos**

A partir del Adviento, el próximo ciclo litúrgico (Ciclo C) de lecturas se centrara en el Evangelio de Lucas. **Fecha:** Viernes; 6 y 13 de Diciembre; Todos los Viernes en Enero y 7 de Febrero.

Lugar: Mollicone, Cuarto 105

Costo: \$27.95 Compre con "Ascension Press"

VISITE EL SITIO WEB DE LA PARROQUIA PARA OBTENER MAS INFORMACION, REGISTRACION Y COMO PEDIR EL LIBRO DE ESTUDIO.

**Christian Initiation Corner
November**

As we celebrate All Saints Day, and recall those "living witnesses" of the joy and peace that living the Catholic life can bring, let us ask for the saints' intercession for those who are thinking about finding out more about the Church. If someone you know wants to know more about the Church, contact...

For more information, please contact Timo Zepeda
rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net

Please pray for all our Catechumen and Candidates...

**Rincón de la Iniciación Cristiana
Noviembre**

Mientras celebramos el Día de Todos los Santos, y recordamos a aquellos "testigos vivos" de la alegría y la paz que viven la vida católica Puede traer, pidamos la intercesión de los santos para aquellos que están pensando en averiguar más sobre el Iglesia. Si alguien que conoces quiere saber más sobre la Iglesia, ponte en contacto...

Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con Bertha Castellanos rica@saintmonicaconverse.net

Por favor, ore por todos nuestros catecúmenos y candidatos...

St. Monica Pictorial Directory

The deadline for the St Monica Pictorial Directory has been extended! You still have time to participate! If you were not able to stop by after Mass this past Sunday, please email us with your name and phone number:

Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net

After we receive your email, we will send you information and a link on how to participate.

For those who submitted their emails with us directly on Sunday, you should be able to create a login with members.InstantChurchDirectory.com

If you have questions about the Pictorial Directory, or are having problems logging in to the site, please email us.

We will be happy to help you!

**Directorio Pictórico de Santa Mónica**

La fecha límite para el Directorio Fotográfico de Santa Mónica se ha extendido!! Aún hay tiempo de que participe!!! Si no pudo hablar con alguien después de misa este domingo que pasó, por favor mándenos un email con su nombre y número telefónico a: Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net

Después de recibir su email, le mandaremos información y un enlace en cómo participar.

Los que nos dieron su email directamente el domingo, deben de poder crear acceso con:

members.InstantChurchDirectory.com

Cualquier pregunta acerca de el Directorio Fotográfico, o si tiene problemas de acceso al sitio, por favor mándenos un email. Con gusto le ayudaremos.

Directorio@saintmonicaconverse.net

The Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries

is an annual campaign supporting more than 30 shared ministries that advance the mission of the Catholic Church in our area. The Archbishop Appeal happens every year because the need remains each year, it's not a one and done . With just under 3 months left for the 2024 appeal, St Monica has not yet passed the 100% goal.

We are at 89 % with 433 families donating. Since we have over 1800 families in our parish, this is a bit disheartening, but I know the Lord will provide. I invite each of you who is still considering donating to join the Archbishop in providing for those in need. This includes ministries like Catholic Television that brings the mass to those who are home bound, a criminal justice ministry to help those who are incarcerated, the Guadalupe community center which provides after school care and a summer youth program for those who couldn't afford it otherwise, the youth and young adult ministries...and so many more. Along with the Archbishop and Fr Thumma, I urge you to consider donating just \$60 to help ensure these ministries and so many more continue to be available to all in our Archdiocese. May God Bless you, your family, our parish and our Archdiocese. Please visit:

archsa.org/archbishops-appeal to give today!
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La Campaña del Arzobispo para los Ministerios

es una campaña anual que apoya a más de 30 ministerios compartidos que promueven la misión de la Iglesia Católica en nuestra área. La Apelación del Arzobispo ocurre todos los años porque la necesidad permanece cada año, no es una sola vez. Cuando quedan poco menos de 3 meses para la apelación de 2024, Santa Mónica aún no ha superado la meta del 100%. **Estamos al 89%** con 433 familias donando. Dado que tenemos más de 1800 familias en nuestra parroquia, esto es un poco desalentador, pero sé que el Señor proveerá. Invito a cada uno de ustedes que todavía está considerando donar a unirse al Arzobispo para ayudar a los necesitados. Esto incluye ministerios como Televisión Católica que lleva la misa a quienes están confinados en sus hogares, un ministerio de justicia penal para ayudar a quienes están encarcelados, el centro comunitario de Guadalupe que brinda cuidado después de la escuela y un programa juvenil de verano para quienes no pueden pagarlo. de lo contrario, los ministerios de jóvenes y adultos jóvenes... y muchos más. Junto con el Arzobispo y el Padre Thumma, les insto a que consideren donar sólo \$60 para ayudar a garantizar que estos ministerios y muchos más sigan estando disponibles para todos en nuestra Arquidiócesis. Que Dios lo bendiga a usted, a su familia, a nuestra parroquia y a nuestra Arquidiócesis.. ¡Visite

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St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Angel Tree

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will soon be displaying it's Angel Tree in the foyer. Angels will be hung as ornaments and have a code for the child's age and size of clothing. Please feel free to take an angel after Mass next week. These angels will go to help bring some Christmas gifts to the needy children in our community.



San Vicente de Paul Árbol de Navidad Ángel

La Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl pronto exhibirá su Árbol de los Ángeles en el vestíbulo. Los ángeles se colgarán como adornos y tendrán un código para la edad y la talla de ropa del niño. Siéntase libre de llevar un ángel después de la Misa la próxima semana. Estos ángeles irán a ayudar a llevar algunos regalos de Navidad a los niños necesitados de nuestra comunidad.

The Knights would like to thank all parishioners for their generous food donations for our Thanksgiving Baskets. We were able to provide 25 baskets to needy families as well as restock the St Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Pantry. Please contact SVDP if you would like to donate additional food items



Los Caballeros quisieran agradecer a todos feligreses por su generosa donaciones de comida para nuestro Día de Acción de Canastas de Gracias. Pudimos proporcionar 25 canastas a familias necesitadas así como reabastecimiento la Despensa de San Vicente de Paul (SVDP) Comuníquese con SVDP si desea donar alimentos adicionales **POR FAVOR NO DEJAN**

PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF any more items in the Church Foyer.



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*****Thrift Store Holiday Hours*****

NO DONATIONS will be accepted beginning Nov. 23rd until Monday Dec. 2nd. In observance of Thanksgiving the thrift store will be closed Wednesday November 27th and Saturday November 30th.



*****Horario de la tienda de segunda mano*****

NO se aceptarán DONACIONES a partir 23 de noviembre hasta el lunes 2 de diciembre. En conmemoración del Día de Acción de Gracias, la tienda de segunda mano estará cerrada el miércoles 27 de noviembre y Sábado 30 de noviembre.

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